

**Minutes of the 114th Council Meeting**  
**January 19, 2026**  
**Virtually via MS TEAMS (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM MST)**

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**Council**

**Present:** Moira McPherson (Co-Chair), Jeffrey Church (Co-Chair), Jaclyn Doherty, Christopher Hosgood, Kevin McQuillan, Amit Kumar, Erasmus Okine, Annie Prud'homme-Généreux, Cynthia Zutter

**Secretariat** Paul Gaudette (Director, Program Oversight and Workforce Planning), Daniel Braun (Acting Manager), Alex Makar (System Quality Analyst); Angharad Hong-Brown (Program Approval Specialist); Aurora Sharmin (Program Resources Officer)

**Guests** Tim Cusack (for agenda item 2 only)  
Mark Maxwell, Mark Jonah, Kevin Foth (for agenda item 2 only)

Members were welcomed to the one-hundred and fourteenth meeting of the Campus Alberta Quality Council virtually via MS TEAMS.

**1. Approval of the Agenda of the 114th Meeting of Council**

It MOVED and SECONDED that the agenda of the 114th Meeting of Council be approved, as amended.  
CARRIED

**2. Prairie College Bachelor of Education Program Evaluation**

Prairie College (PC) is seeking approval to offer a new 4-year Bachelor of Education degree program. As this is a first degree to be offered by PC, prior to undergoing evaluation of its Bachelor of Education program, the institution had undergone an organizational evaluation by Council focused on institution's readiness to offer degree programming.

Preparing for CAQC's January 19, 2026, meeting, Council's Proposal Review Staging Committee reviewed the Site Visit Team's report and PC's response to that report and prepared a summary recommendation for Council's consideration.

As part of Council's discussion at the January 19 meeting, Dr. Tim Cusack, SVT Chair, joined the meeting to answer questions of clarification on the SVT report and the institution's response to it. At the end of the videoconference, Council's Co-Chair thanked Dr. Cusack for the team's report.

Subsequently, Mr. Mark Maxwell (President), Dr. Mark Jonah (Provost) and Dr. Kevin Foth (Academic Dean) at Prairie College joined the meeting to discuss the institution's response to the report.

Following discussion of the SVT report and PC's response, it was MOVED and SECONDED that Council recommends, contingent on approval by the Ministry of Education and Childcare, that the Minister of Advanced Education approve Prairie College's proposed Bachelor of Education degree, with conditions.

CARRIED

Members AGREED to the issues to be addressed in the outcomes letter to the institution, including Council's conditions to be met prior to and after program implementation, as well as other expectations with respect to monitoring.

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for January 23, 2026.